

**Amendments to the Claims:**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) ~~Composition~~ A composition of foundation type, comprising, in a physiologically acceptable medium, at least one coloring agent, said composition ~~being capable, producing,~~ when it is applied to a dark skin, ~~of producing~~ a positive lightness variation  $\Delta L^*$  between 0.5 and 4 and a positive saturation variation  $\Delta C^*$  of between 0.5 and 4.
2. (Currently Amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 1, wherein  $\Delta L^*$  is between 0.5 and 3 and  $\Delta C^*$  between 0.5 and 3.
3. (Currently Amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 1, wherein  $\Delta L^*$  is between 0.5 and 2.5 and  $\Delta C^*$  between 0.5 and 2.5.
4. (Currently Amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 1, said composition ~~being also capable of~~ producing a negative variation in the coxellographic index  $\Delta i_{\text{cox}}$  of less than or equal to -0.4 for an individual having before makeup a coxellographic index  $i_{\text{cox}}$  of greater than or equal to 5.
5. (Currently Amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 1, said composition ~~being also capable of~~ producing a negative variation in the coxellographic index  $\Delta i_{\text{cox}}$  of less than or equal to -0.5 for an individual having before makeup a coxellographic index  $i_{\text{cox}}$  of greater than or equal to 5.
6. (Currently Amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 1, said composition ~~being also capable of~~ producing a negative variation in the coxellographic index  $\Delta i_{\text{cox}}$  of less than or equal to -1 for an individual having before makeup a coxellographic index  $i_{\text{cox}}$  greater than or equal to 5.

7. (Currently Amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 1, said composition having a lightness  $L^*$  of greater than or equal to 34, a position  $b^*$  on the blue/yellow axis of between 28 and 42 and a saturation  $C^*$  of between 31 and 52.
8. (Currently Amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 1, said composition having a lightness  $L^*$  of between 34 and 41, a value  $b^*$  of between 33 and 42 and a saturation  $C^*$  of between 37 and 46.
9. (Currently Amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 1, said composition having a lightness  $L^*$  of greater than or equal to 34, a position  $b^*$  on the blue/yellow axis of between 23 and 39 and a saturation  $C^*$  of between 27 and 47.
10. (Currently Amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 1, said composition having a lightness  $L^*$  of between 34 and 48, a position  $b^*$  of between 27 and 35 and a saturation  $C^*$  of between 31 and 41.
11. (Currently Amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 1, said composition having a lightness  $L^*$  of greater than or equal to 34, a position  $b^*$  on the blue/yellow axis of between 19 and 33 and a saturation  $C^*$  of between 23 and 40.
12. (Currently Amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 1, said composition having a lightness  $L^*$  of between 34 and 42, a position  $b^*$  of between 23 and 29 and a saturation  $C^*$  of between 28 and 35.
13. (Currently Amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 1, said composition having a lightness  $L^*$  of greater than or equal to 39, a position  $b^*$  on the blue/yellow axis of between 23 and 39 and a saturation  $C^*$  of between 38 and 41.
14. (Currently Amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 1, said composition having a lightness  $L^*$  of between 39 and 48, a position  $b^*$  of between 28 and 35 and a saturation  $C^*$  of between 33 and 41.

15. (Currently Amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 1, said composition having a lightness  $L^*$  of greater than or equal to 51, a position  $b^*$  on the blue/yellow axis of between 14 and 25 and a saturation  $C^*$  of between 18 and 31.

16. (Currently Amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 1, said composition having a lightness  $L^*$  of between 51 and 63, a position  $b^*$  of between 14 and 25 and a saturation  $C^*$  of between 22 and 28.

17. (Currently Amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 1, said composition having a lightness  $L^*$  of greater than or equal to 34, a position  $b^*$  on the blue/yellow axis of between 11 and 20 and a saturation  $C^*$  of between 17 and 29. ~~29, and better still a lightness  $L^*$  of between 34 and 48, a position  $b^*$  of between 14 and 17 and a saturation  $C^*$  of between 20 and 26.~~

18. (Currently Amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 1, said composition constituting a liquid foundation.

19. (Currently Amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 1, said composition being packaged with a colored indicator that imitates at least one skin color that the composition is suitable for lightening.

20. (Currently Amended) ~~Method~~ A method for lightening a dark skin, comprising ~~the application~~ applying to the skin of a composition as defined in claim 1.

21. (Currently Amended) ~~Method~~ A method for lightening a skin having a complexion defined by a lightness of between 35 and 42 and a saturation of between 13 and 20, said method comprising ~~the application of~~ applying the composition as defined in claim 7 to skin having said complexion.

22. (Currently Amended) ~~Method~~ A method for lightening a skin having a complexion defined by a lightness of less than 42 and a saturation of less than 21, said

method comprising the application of applying the composition as defined in claim 7 to skin having said complexion.

23. (Currently Amended) ~~Method~~ A method for lightening a skin having a complexion defined by a lightness of between 48 and 54 and a saturation of between 24 and 28, said method comprising the application of applying the composition as defined in claim 15 to skin having said complexion.

24. (Currently Amended) ~~Method~~ A method for marketing a composition according to claim 1, comprising taking into account account, during the marketing of this the composition, of the color of at least one skin for which the composition is preferably intended.

25. (Currently Amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 24, comprising the presentation-presenting the color of at least one skin to which the composition is intended.

26. (Currently Amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 25, wherein the presentation-of the color is made-presented by using a colored indicator given-on a container or packaging containing the composition.

27. (Currently Amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 24, wherein reference is made on the packaging or container to an ethnic group in which the skin color for which the composition is intended is frequently found.

28. (Currently Amended) ~~Method~~ A method for making up a dark skin, ~~in which comprising measuring a colorimetric characteristic of said dark skin is measured and in which skin, selecting a composition suitable for lightening this said dark skin is selected from based on the measured-characteristic, characteristic, and applying the selected composition to said dark skin.~~

29. (Currently Amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 28, wherein the at least one of lightening and/or the and saturation of the skin is measured.

30. (New) The composition according to claim 17, said composition having a lightness  $L^*$  of between 34 and 48, a position  $b^*$  of between 14 and 17 and a saturation  $C^*$  of between 20 and 26.

31. (New) A packaged product containing a composition according to claim 1.

32. (New) The packaged product according to claim 31, wherein said packaged product is a container containing said composition.

33. (New) The packaged product according to claim 31, wherein the packaged product presents at least one color of skin for which the composition is intended.

34. (New) The packaged product according to claim 33, wherein the at least one color of skin is presented using a colored indicator on the packaged product.

35. (New) The packaged product according to claim 33, wherein the at least one color of skin is presented by reference to an ethnic group frequently having said at least one color of skin.